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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Sir/Madam:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on October 17, 2007 (herein, "Office Action"), Applicants provide the following amendment and response. This filing is provided in the following format:

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